

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 17-1008

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CONCERNING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF CANADA AND COLORADO'S RELATIONSHIP WITH CANADA THROUGH THE NORTH AMERICAN AEROSPACE DEFENSE COMMAND.

WHEREAS, Canada celebrates its one hundred-fiftieth year of domestic autonomy on July 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, The United States' tradition of bilateral cooperation with Canada in the defense of North America dates back to the 1940 Ogdensburg Agreement and is a natural complement to the extensive geographic, political, economic, cultural, and social ties that link our two countries; and

WHEREAS, Defense and security relations between our two countries are long-standing, well-entrenched, and highly successful; and

WHEREAS, For the last fifty-nine years, members of the Canadian armed forces have served in Colorado Springs as partners in the North American Aerospace Defense Command, or NORAD; and

WHEREAS, NORAD is a unique and indispensable expression of one of the most extensive and long-standing defense relationships in the world; and

WHEREAS, Colorado Springs is home to approximately one hundred fifty Canadian armed forces members and two hundred associated family members, as well as many retired Canadian armed forces members and their families; and

WHEREAS, The state of Colorado is honored to be the home of NORAD, as well as the home of the United States and Canadian service members and their families that work and live in the Centennial State; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-first General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:

That we, the members of the Seventy-first General Assembly, hereby:

- (1) Join our Canadian friends and allies in celebration of the one hundred-fiftieth anniversary of Canada's autonomy;
- (2) Commend the Canadian armed forces for their resolute defense of North America; and
- (3) Recognize the continued importance of our nations' long-standing defense partnership and Colorado's role in its history.

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent to President Donald J. Trump; the Right Honourable Justin P.J. Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada; Governor John W. Hickenlooper; General James Mattis, Secretary of Defense; the Honourable Chrystia Freeland, Minister of Foreign Affairs; the Honourable Harjit Singh Sajjan, Minister of National Defence; the Honourable George J. Furey, Speaker of the Senate, Parliament of Canada; the Honourable Geoff Regan, P.C., M.P. Speaker of the House of Commons, Parliament of Canada; Bruce A. Heyman, United States Ambassador to Canada; David MacNaughton, Canada's Ambassador to the United States; General Lori J. Robinson, Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command and United States Northern Command; Lieutenant-General Pierre St-Amand, Deputy Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command; and Colorado's Congressional delegation.

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